

**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Confirmation No.: 6018

Application No.: 10/737,362  
Filing Date: December 16, 2003  
Applicant: Brian Andrew Carr  
Group Art Unit: 2416  
Examiner: Jutai Kao  
Title: PACKET SWITCHED BACKPLANE  
Attorney Docket: 1400B-000010/US

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Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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**AMENDMENT AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION**

Sir:

Prior to the continued examination of this application, and in response to the Final Office Action dated March 16, 2009, please amend the application as follows and consider the remarks set forth below.

Applicant hereby petitions under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for an extension of time in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action and includes a fee as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a) with this response for such extension of time.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 12 of this paper.